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MESSAGE:

Re: U.S. Application No. 08/468,145
Inventors: Jurgen Engel et al.
Filing Date: June 6, 1995

This will supplement our October 30, 1996 telephone discussion.

At this time, Applicants elect Group I (Claims 1-8) directed to peptides and compositions for immediate prosecution.


Thomas G. Wiseman

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re PATENT APPLICATION of

ENGEL et al

Appln: No. 08/468,145

Group Art Unit: 1811

Filed: June 6, 1995

Examiner: B. Prickril

Title: OLIGOPEPTIDE LYOPHILISATE, THEIR PREPARATION AND USE

November 6, 1996

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Hon. Commissioner of Patents
and Trademarks
Washington, D C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to acting on this Application, kindly enter the following amendment
and remarks.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Kindly amend the claims as follows:

- A
1. (Amended) A method of making a lyophilizate of a peptide which contains 3-15 amino acids, said method comprising dissolving the peptide in a sufficient amount of acetic acid to form a solution [containing 100 - 10,000 parts by weight of acetic acid for each part of peptide], transferring the solution to water, and lyophilizing the resulting solution.